



PATENT  
19066-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Lila Shepley :  
Serial No.: 10/826,644 : Art Unit: 3611  
Filed: April 16, 2004 : Examiner:  
For: METHODS AND APPARATUS :  
FOR IDENTIFYING A :  
CONTAINER :

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL TO  
THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS**

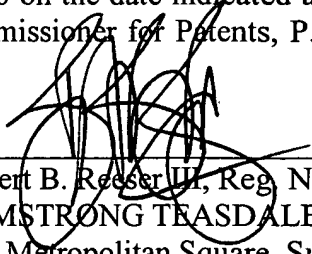
Express Mail mailing label number: **EV 504794145 US**

Date of Mailing: **September 27, 2004**

I certify that the documents listed below:

- Response to Notice to File Missing Parts and Notice of Incomplete Reply (2 pgs.), in duplicate
- Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Lila Shepley (2 pgs.)
- Part 2 of Notice to File Missing Parts (2 pgs.)
- Part 2 of Notice of Incomplete Reply (2 pgs.)
- Copy of Filing Receipt with corrections noted (2 pgs.)
- Return Postcard

are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated above in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop: MISSING PARTS, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
Robert B. Reiser III, Reg. No. 45,548  
ARMSTRONG TEASDALE LLP  
One Metropolitan Square, Suite 2600  
St. Louis, MO 63102-2740  
(314) 621-5070

Express Mail No. EV 504794145 US

19066-2  
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Lila Shepley :  
Serial No.: 10/826,644 : Art Unit: 3611  
Filed: April 16, 2004 : Examiner:  
For: METHODS AND APPARATUS :  
FOR IDENTIFYING A :  
CONTAINER :

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
AND NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY**

Mail Stop: Missing Parts  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated August 3, 2004, applicant respectfully submits that replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 were filed with the Office on July 15, 2004, as indicated in the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated August 3, 2004.

Also in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts and the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated August 3, 2004, enclosed is a Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Lila Shepley. Also enclosed are Part 2 of the Notice to File Missing Parts and Part 2 of the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated August 3, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge of \$65.00 to Deposit Account Number 01-2384. If any additional extension or other fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384. A duplicate of this Response is enclosed for that purpose.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Filing Receipt in the present application be corrected to set forth the correct Attorney Docket Number. A copy of the Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon is enclosed.

The correct Attorney Docket Number is: **22803-2**.

Applicant further requests that a new, corrected Filing Receipt be issued.

Respectfully submitted,



---

Robert B. Reesor III  
Registration No. 45,548  
ARMSTRONG TEASDALE LLP  
One Metropolitan Square, Suite 2600  
St. Louis, MO 63102-2740  
(314) 621-5070

09-28-04

Page 1 of 2



## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
 United States Patent and Trademark Office  
 Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING OR 371 (c) DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
10/826,644	04/16/2004	Lila Shepley	19066-2

John S. Beulick  
 Armstrong Teasdale LLP  
 Suite 2600  
 One Metropolitan Square  
 St. Louis, MO 63102



CONFIRMATION NO. 2290

## FORMALITIES LETTER



\*OC000000013421964\*

Date Mailed: 08/03/2004

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

09/29/2004 LWONDIM1 00000013 012384 10826644 FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

01 FC:2051 65.00 DA

*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 2, 3, 5, 6.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity

- **\$65** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

---

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

B-ju  
Customer Service Center  
Initial Patent Examination Division (703) 308-1202  
PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE